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Filing Date	October 6, 2000
First Named Inventor	DeVico, et al.
Art Unit	1648
Examiner Name	U. Winkler
Attorney Docket Number	4115-144

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**  
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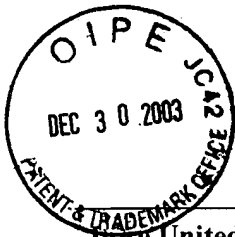
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**Application No.:** 09/684,026

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**Title:** VIRUS COAT  
PROTEIN/RECEPTOR CHIMERAS  
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**Customer No.:** 23448

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